

New Blood Is Conspicuous by Its Absence as Opening of Major League Baseball Season Nears

YOUNGSTERS SCARCE ON BIG LEAGUE BALL CLUBS THIS SEASON

Brazill Only Rookie Having Chance to Stick With Macks.
White Sox an Exception to General Rule.
Phillies Seeking New Talent

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SINCE George Sisler entered the American League, says Connie Mack, "there hasn't been a youngster who can be classed as a real star who has broken into the Johnson circuit."

And from the other leagues comes an opinion from John McGraw: "Frank Frisch is the greatest ball player to enter the National League since Rogers Hornsby signed with St. Louis."

Thus we have the opinions of two of the greatest managers in baseball, great because they have won six pennants each in their leagues, on the value of the young players to the big club. Connie and John have been experimenting with kids for many years, and should know what they are talking about.

This year will see few new faces in the lineups of the American and National Leagues. Of course, the White Sox will have a flock of new men because it was necessary to replace the snubbed Bill Sox, but if the world series scandal had never happened, what chance would a rookie have to replace such men as Jackson, Felsch, Weaver, Retherberg, Gundlach, McMullin, Cleagle and Williams? No chance at all.

I saw few young ball players plucked from the minors who will replace veterans this year in my travels around the training camps. Some will make it into the picture; you cannot keep them out of it, but the majority will take another journey into the bush until after the further shooting.

CONNIE MACK sees more for the kids, but he says, "we phases first a chance to stick through the season. Frank Frisch is one of the best natural hitters in the major ranks." He can't imagine anyone as a first baseman or utility infielder. The chances are he will phase first.

Most of Them Standing Pat

THE Yankees will stand pat on their veteran lineups with the possible exception of Jimmy McHugh, who was fired from the coast last winter. Cleveland also will stand pat. Washington is making his changes, with the exception of Foss and Lamotte, a pair of kid pitchers. Detroit will stand pat on first, who has been in the fast set before, and do Sargeant's third. Boston has a lot of veterans, despite the weakened condition of the club, and they will be in the regular lineup.

Lee Fohl is using Bill Gleason, a young second baseman from Chattanooga, at second base in place of Joe Gleason, but the older positions are filled by veterans.

Kid Gleason, the other one who manages the White Sox, is the only member of the American League this year.

The scrappy manager started the season with Scully and Cox, Feltz and Kerr, pitchers; Harry Hooper and Steinke, outfielders; and Ed Murphy, pinch hitter. He had to go out and get men, and no one was spared. He will try out Endy Scheff at first, Eric Johnson at center field, Varyan and George Lewis, catchers, and a host of pitchers, of those, Mulrennan, McWayne, Davenport, Morris, Fenner and Teas are likely to work this season.

Therefore, outside of the White Sox, few youngsters will be in the big show this season.

In THE National League, a besieged man named Evers books better than any of the others. He is with the福克斯 and stationed at second base. This is a great help to him, and remarkably fair on the bases. Rockies will not bring up rookies in the line-up.

Phillies Need Any Old Kind

THE Chicago Cubs have Maisel, a good catcher, and the few available from first base, but the former is the only one who has class.

John McGraw will try out Eddie Rapo, the catcher for McMullen, well situated, but Henline is likely to go back to Indianapolis for more experience.

The Phillies need players, young, old, slow and tall, but they haven't been able to pick up any. The rookies at the top now will not make the team with the exception of Peters and Brundage.

However, President Baker is looking for new players, so far as he can find, and no doubt will strengthen the club in the early part of the season.

The owner of the Phils is working harder than any one man in the game, and nothing but his efforts put up a winning team on the field. Mr. Baker has been handicapped in the past, but is overcoming his difficulties.

He has Poet, a pitcher, Kelly, a solid fielder, and Schilden, an old player who sat in for Jimmy Johnson in the last half of last year. Boston will try out a few pitchers, but veterans will take care of the other positions.

Eddie Moran will try out his second baseman in Fenway, and third sacker in Boston. This is because Kid and Grish are oldsters, and Cincinnati needs somebody to play those roles. The clowns are bad, but the old dogs will sit in.

The real talent this year is in the Pittsburgh area. Gibson is a wonderful bunch of veterans, and the boys are playing great ball. Joe Tinker is establishing a home run record in the States, and is leading off second that Cutch will find it hard to get his job back again. Tinker is a good utility man, and Bernhard will play third base. The Pirates have Moak and Simms, outfielders; Vohs, Himes and Glumbeck, catchers; and Mike Wilson, catcher, to fall back on.

If a team is as strong as the Pirates, it is bound to be a force in the class of the circuit. Barney Dreyfuss certainly has a hand in the making of the team.

Pittsburgh is in better shape than any in the league, and the Cincinnati is bound to play youngsters. The manager of the Reds, however, can get some players, and the White Sox are in the same boat.

BUT it was last week that the Red Sox got a bunch of veterans. They are to play at the Cardinals, and the Cards are to play at the Browns. The Indians are to play at the White Sox.

ADJOURN MATCH AFTER 30 MOVES

Lasker and Capablanca Fail to Reach Result in Eighth Chess Game

RESUME PLAY TOMORROW

Havana, April 3.—The adjourned chess match between the two Cuban experts, Dr. Emanuel Lasker and Jose R. Capablanca, Cuban expert, was adjourned Saturday morning after thirty moves had been made. Play will be resumed tomorrow night.

Lasker played the white and Capablanca the black pieces. They did the longest adjourned session when the two experts had been tied, and there are no other ties.

The Cuban expert, however, has the advantage of being the stronger player.

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